



The students who won the award for best idea of TV programme held at SQU. From left Hassan Ali Salim Al Balushi, Abdallah Mukhtar Abdallah Al-Balushi, Mohammed Abdullah Al Ajmi, Mohammed Al Rauqaishi, Shaymaa Mohammed Al Balushi, Asila Juma Mohammed Al Balushi and Ruqaiyah Salim Khalfan Al Nabhani.

## HONOURING CEREMONY HELD AT BAYAN COLLEGE

### BC students win the award for best idea of TV programme

**M**USCAT: Bayan College (BC) recently once again pulled out all stops to honour the students who won the award for best idea of TV programme held at Sultan Qaboos University (SQU).

Deputy Dean Ms. Modi-Al Ghailani appreciated the team and handed over the mementos and certificates to the winners and said that

### Appreciation for Rejni

General Requirement Unit HoD Ms. Rejni Jeffrey was also honoured in the same occasion for her excellence and adding value to the General Requirements Unit by taking a small step towards an informal setting and to make leaps in arriving solu-

these students brought glory to the college.

The award winning stu-

tions through discussions.

Ms. Modi handed over the certificate to Ms. Rejni and said that she is one among the best academic staff in Bayan College and her hard work and input towards the functioning of the college has to be appreciated.

udents are Hassan Ali Salim Al Balushi, Shaymaa Mohammed Al Balushi, Mo-

ammed Abdullah Al Ajmi, Asila Juma Mohammed Al Balushi, Ruqaiyah Salim-Khalfan Al Nabhani and Mohammed Al Rauqaishi.

Head of the English Department, Dr. Lina Ibrahim and Acting Head of the Media Department, Ms. Fatima Husain also conveyed their regards to the winners.

The honouring ceremony was organized in an informal setting by cutting of cake, refreshments and music which provided an atmosphere of celebration.

## BAYAN COLLEGE STUDENTS ATTEND 11TH ANNUAL HARVARD ARAB WORLD CONFERENCE



Bayan College students attending 11th Annual Harvard Arab World Conference.

Bayan College students attended a seminar on Harvard admission process, conducted by Harvard Alumni Association in connection with the 11th annual Harvard Arab World Conference last week at Shangri-La Barr Al Jissah Resort & Spa, Muscat.

Seminar on Harvard admissions process was conducted for Omani high school students and graduate students. The admission process on law school was explained by Ahmed el-Gaili, President for the Harvard Arab Alumni Association and the Managing Partner of the UAE offices of Vinson & Elkins LLP, an international law firm.

Dr. Hesham Hamoda, Vice President of Harvard Arab Alumni Association and a Faculty Member at the Harvard Medical School and a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist at Boston Children's Hospital explained about the admission procedure of Harvard Medical School.

Ms. Imane Karroumi, Program Director for the Harvard Arab Alumni Association

and graduated from Harvard College in 2014 with a degree in Government and a secondary field in Economics explained general procedure for the admission, about the scholarships and the facilities available in the Harvard University.

Ms. Carine Abi Akar, Director of Technology and Associate at McKinsey & Company where her works largely focuses on education, technology, innovation and government strategy explained about the studies in Harvard Graduate School of Education and shared the experienced what she gained from there.

The speakers explained in detail about the admission procedure, the important documents required and the preparations to be carried out before applying. They also interacted with the students and the parents to clear their doubts.

Bayan College students raised many queries for which the speakers felt free to answer and they appreciated the students for their interest to apply in Harvard University.

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Orientation Program 'Bridge the Gap' held for Foundation Students



# A CULTURAL EVE TO ADOPT DIFFERENT TALENTS

Bayan College organized a function at the college campus to welcome the new semester on February 7, 2016. The ceremony was organized by student affairs department and event comprised a series of activities like dramas, games, songs and played instruments.

In spite of rain it was all fun for students dancing, cheering and blowing whistles for their friends. The campus was reverberated with the songs, dances and other programmes.

The stage play performed by students on different social issues received good response from the students and teachers.

Elaborating on the programme, Al-Gahl-iyah Al Harasi, Student Affairs HoD, said that the entertainment was diverse, and a blend of traditional and modern day entertainment was enjoyed by all.

Students played the tunes of local Omani music on the guitar, speech, recitation of poems and plays were performed. A special pro-



Students staging a skit.



gramme was performed by Zayed Al Muthani and group from Sahkir which attracted the audience and this event steered the programme.

Deputy Dean Ms. Modi Al Ghailani distributed the participation certificates at the end of the programme. Academic and non-academic staff members were present on the occasion.

Bayan College is the first private media college in the Sultanate of Oman offering bachelors and diplomas in Journalism, Broadcasting and Public relations. The college also offers bachelors and diploma program in English literature.

## ACADEMIC ADVISING DAY FOR SPRING SEMESTER

Bayan College organized academic advising day for the Spring Semester on 25 April, 2016 at College Campus, to concentrate on the students under probation and to persuade them for better achievements.

The Academic Advisers met their students in different venues, discussed various issues and counseled them to improve their performance. The advisees who are under probation were given special attention and were advised on different methods to be adopted in their studies.

"The advising day was very helpful to clarify various doubts with our respective advisers. We also discussed many problems faced in studies, where the advisor guided us with various suggestions to be adopted in our studies and encouraged us to

be active", Said Ruwaida Al Farsi, an advisee.

The advisers also reminded the under probation students to work hard and raise their GPA since MoHE (Ministry of Higher Education) cancels the registration of the students if they are under probation for more than 3 times.

In order to encourage

the students to meet their respective advisers, the list of advisees with advisers name and venues were posted well in advance and even lecturers reminded the students on the importance of advising day during their classes. SMS service was used as a gentle reminder for the students in both English and Arabic.



Advisor advising an advisee on the advising day held at College Campus.

## GHEDEX 2016

Bayan College attended Global Higher Education Exhibition (Ghedex) April 2016 at Oman International Exhibition Centre under the patronage of the Ministry of Higher Education, Oman.

In spite of being a media college the pavilion was very different from other pavilions. The student representatives gave demo on various sessions like photography, videography which made the visitors to come and see the courses run by the college and the job opportunities available in the job market.

Saada Almamari, Hassan Al Balushi & Ammar Al Balushi was the student's representatives from the college. Hassan Al Balushi said that the exhibition was very live and the visitors were very keen to know about the different courses run by the college. When a person wants to know about the specialization the other one was keen to know about the practical exposure.

The college participated Global Higher Education Exhibition (Ghedex) in previous years also.



Saada Almamari clears the doubt of visitors whereas Ammar Al Balushi demonstrating the use of camera.

### Announcements

Registration for the Summer Semester 2016 will start on 7th June, 2016.

Classes for Summer Semester 2016 will start on 12th June, 2016.

## Bayan College student Ali Al Zadjali launches jacket collection at The Lookout store

Bayan College student and an award winning designer Ali al Zadjali launched his third collection, 'Lace Yourself' at The Lookout store in Oman Avenues Mall last week. The award-winning designer runs his clothing line under the label, Esque by Ali. The new collection has 40 pieces.

Deputy Dean for the college Ms. Modi Al Ghailani attended the launching ceremony and supported him to succeed in his new launch. After attending the launching ceremony Ms. Modi said that Ali is best known for his jacket collections and he is doing very well in fashion world. He has tried to bring cultural look for men and contemporary for



women in his designs.

This new jacket collection keeps in theme with Ali's intention for a relaxed and simplistic design form with the emphasis being on the choice of fabric, Lace. However, this is exclusive for women.

"The jackets can give both semi-formal and formal look

and I always love designing jackets and I believe wearing jackets help to change your entire appearance. I have tried to include new range of bomber jackets and shirts that can be worn with plain tees or anything fashionable. The shirts in this collection are very different from the regular ones and can be worn like an accessory", said Ali.

Ali also added that the support from family, friends and college make him to think different and to explore new things in the world of fashion. In December 2014, Zadjali won the Young Fashion Designer Awards Oman. He was chosen from among 20 designers active in the local fashion industry.

### SEMINAR ON 'C S R E APPROACH- THE LAUNCHING PAD'

Foundation department, Assistant Professor, Dr. Qamarudin Al Ansari conducted a seminar on 'C S R E approach- the launching pad' at College campus last week. Head of the Foundation Department, Dr. George Kolanchery delivered welcome speech and gave vote of thanks.

Discussing on the topic Dr. Ansari said that there has been a shift within the field of teaching and learning over the past two decades with greater emphasis being put on learners and learning rather than on teachers and teaching. This shift requires redefining the role of teachers, teaching methods and the learning materials.

He also added that learning doesn't occur in vacuum. Teachers play a major interactive role with both the learners and learning environment. They use effective strategies and suitable materials to enhance the learning process but at times with little success.

Dr. Ansari also mentioned that, what is required for proper teaching methodology is the proper groundwork, the platform, the launching pad which will encourage the students to open up, act freely and autonomously. CSRE approach might help in preparing and fostering the students' motivational level.

At the end of the seminar there was a discussion session where teaching staff shared their experience and discussed various issues faced by them in class room. They also discussed new teaching methods and blending of technology in teaching.

# COLLEGE ORGANIZED JUNIOR JOURNALIST COMPETITION

## 17 STUDENTS WON THE PRIZES

Bayan College organized Junior Journalist competition for primary and secondary schools of Oman at Marah Land, Qurum Park. Chief Guest for the programme was Dr. Ali Humaid Al Jawari, General Director, Ministry of Education Directorate.

Junior Journalist competition was organized among 14 primary and secondary schools in which 69 students participated in various competitions. The competitions were organized in filming, photography, investigative reporting, reporting and article writing.

The school students actively participated in the competition and found to be enthusiastic. 17 students from different schools won prizes. For each competition first prize, second prize and third prize was distributed. First Prize includes certificates, memento and a wrist watch.

Bayan College awarded the winners with a scholarship



to attend academic training programme for one month in Journalism at Bayan College for free of cost.

Deputy Dean Ms. Modhi Juma Al-Ghailani, Head of the Deanship Office, Ms. Thuraya Al-Zadjali, Head of English Department, Dr. Lina Ibrahim, Media Assistant Professor, Dr. Fadhil Mohsin, Head of Quality Assurance, Mr. Mohammed Najib, Head of Human Resource Department, Mr. Juma Al-Kaabi, Head of Students Affairs Department, Mr. Amin Al-shobaki, PRO



Mr. Issa Al-Balushi, IT Specialist, Mr. Athar Mahmoud and Student Affairs Staff Ms. Fatma Alhabsi attended the programme.

The students worked in various groups to make the programme successful. Different committees like photography, videography, reception, registration and coordination were formed.

The participated schools are Ruwi School for Education, A-Shifa Bint Awf School, Mohammed Bin Shikhan Al-Salmi School for primary education,

Rashid Bin Al-Nadhar School for primary education, Moath Bin Jabal School for primary education, Om Al-Hakambint Al-Zubair School for Primary Education, Shati Al-Qurum Secondary School, Faidh Al-Maari-fa School for Primary Education, Darseet School for Primary Education, Rufaida Al-Ansaria School for Primary Education, Omamabint Abi Al-Aass School for Public Education, Al-Saedia School for Primary Education, Al-Amirat School for Education and Al-Naba School for Primary Education.

# WORKSHOP ON VIDEO PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES

The Media Club of Bayan College organized a workshop on video production and studio techniques on 18th April, 2016 at College Campus. Eminent technicians from Oman TV Mr. Hussein Al Hasani and Mr. Basim Al Talib conducted the workshop.

The students were introduced to studio practices,

television studio operations, control room procedures, and basic program production. Detail demonstration on understanding of components of a television system and the operation of a television production and broadcast studio attracted the students.

"The workshop helped to familiarize our students on various topics like studio



Hussein Al Hasani and Mr. Basim Al Talib from Oman TV conducts workshop on video production techniques.

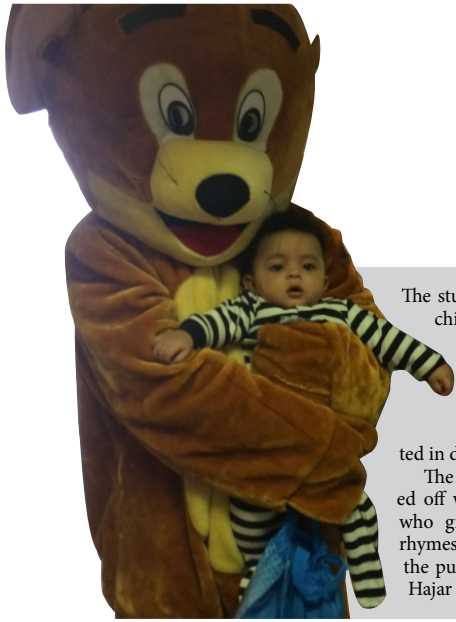
techniques and operations of studio by experts. The workshop also helped them to interact with experts and clear their doubts", said student coordinator of the programme Ayoub Sulaiman Nasser Al Riyami.

Operation of all types of standard television studio and control room equipment, including recording and play

back of both audio and video devices were discussed.

"The workshop helped us to know about the television lighting techniques in the studio and other related topics. This also gave us an idea to understand the functioning of studio and the techniques used with in the studio, said Abdullah Hamed Eid Al Hashimi, Media Club member.

# STUDENTS VISITED CHILDREN'S WARD AT THE ROYAL HOSPITAL OMAN



The students of Bayan College visited the children's ward at The Royal Hospital Oman, on Thursday, 21st of April. The trip was organized by the English Club of the College, whose members decided to devote a day with the children admitted in different wards of the hospital.

The activity day with the children started off with a puppet show lead by Saada who greeted the children with nursery rhymes and cheered them up. Following the puppet show was a play acted out by Hajar and Alla based on the events of 'Red

Riding Hood and the Fox', which greatly entertained the children. Meanwhile, Aliaa, Faisal, Mehal and Shaima were busy preparing colorful paper crafts for each child while they were being amused by the plays.

The next activity is the one that attracted the most amount of enthusiasm from the children, because Ali entered the ward wearing a Jerry costume. All the children were immediately mesmerized by this character and immediately went toward Ali, to be held in his arms. The mothers seated too were pleased and starting taking photos of their children, with Jerry who didn't fail to strike a different pose with

every photo being taken. Then, with the assistance of the hospital staff all the students with the help of Jerry, distributed goodie bags to each child admitted in the hospital. The children responded very positively to the gifts and immediately started to interact with Ali.

The aim of this visit was to support the hospital staff and its efforts to provide the highest quality of medication and assistance to children all over the Sultanate of Oman.

The students who visited are Alla Salim Al Sabbari, Aliaa Al Balushi, Ali Al Zadjali, Faisal Al Zadjali, Hajar Al Tobi, Mehal Iqbal, Saada Al Mamari and Shaima Al Balushi.

## ABSAL ATTENDED INTERNATIONAL CONCLAVE ON INNOVATIONS IN ENGINEERING & MANAGEMENT

MUSCAT: Bayan College representative Mr. Absal Durrany, Librarian, attend two days International Conclave on Innovations in Engineering & Management (Oman Vision 2020: Opportunities & Challenges) at Waljat College of Applied Sciences.

nity to interact with International Delegates. The main beauty of this conclave was to focus on

context and competition on various issues like Business plan, Doctorate competition, and it was healthy discussion on these issues.

There were more than 150 articles presented by the authors and more than 300 delegates who attended the conclave. There were more than 6 different tracks to cover the whole articles.



According to Absal it was a nice opportunity to interact with International Delegates.

contemporary issues in Oman

## CAREER FAIR AT SUMAIYA SCHOOL

Bayan College participated in a career fair held at Sumaiya School, Ibram Al Sharqia. The students of the college interacted with students who attended the fair.

The College pavilion was attracted by many students and they found to be very interactive with the student representatives from the college to ask about the media courses and the facilities available in the college.

Ammar Al Farsi, Sahara Al Farid & Lamis Alsinani was the student representatives who attended the career fair and explained about various queries from the school students and the parents who attended the fair.



Photo Caption: Bayan College student representative Ammar Al Farsi interacts with the school students.

Marketing head Mr. Ameen Al Shobaki said that being a media college ev-

eryone was very much front to know about the courses and the job opportunities.



Ahmed Alla Ahmed Mahmood and Azzan Al Balushi interact with the students during a career fair at Nizwa Grand Mall.

## QA Department Conducts Course Evaluation

QA (Quality Assurance) department conducted course evaluation survey for the Fall Semester 2015. The evaluation was conducted for 21 courses in English department, 25 courses in Media department, 14 General Requirement courses and all major and minor skills in foundation program.

According to QA department, satisfaction surveys are a routine part of the college QA activity for the purpose of assessing the contentment rate of the students on the courses, teachers and services. For which college is having an online survey on place.

"To conduct surveys we create links and timings are scheduled to each department. Generally the course evaluation survey runs for 2 weeks every

spring and fall semester", said a QA official.

"Students are strongly encouraged to participate in the process with feedback relevant to the course and teacher. The feedback given by the students in complete anonymity are valuable in assessing teaching effectiveness and improving courses. The analysis allows us to hear the students' concerns and make appropriate modifications if applicable", says the college QA department.

"The survey helps us to give both positive and negative feedback of a teacher and a course which we study. This is also an appreciative practice where we as students can give our suggestions and which will be taken into consideration", said Ammar Al Farsi, a student.

# ORIENTATION PROGRAM 'BRIDGE THE GAP' HELD FOR FOUNDATION STUDENTS

An orientation program was organized for Foundation Students Level 3. The aim of the program was to introduce level 3 students to their majors.

Head of the General Requirement Unit, Ms. RejniJefri and Mr. Samuel Mundua introduced General Requirement courses skillfully bridging the gap between Foundation Program and Academics. Briefing about the GR courses was highly effective on students.

General Foudation Programme organised the programme by inviting General Requirement Unit, English Department and Media Department.

"I observed that the students graduating from Foundation Programme come to their major with out having any knowledge about the courses at their major. This made me to think of the programme, said Dr.George Kolanchery, Head of General Foundation Programme.



After that, Head of the English Department Dr. Lina's presentation regarding the scope of English Literature and the Employment possibilities was very thrilling to the students.

Acting Head of Media Department Ms. Fatima Husain also presented about the media department. She also spoke about different majors run by media department, the study plan and different employment opportunities available in the industry.



## ENGLISH CLUB ACTIVITY HELD AT BAYAN COLLEGE

An English Activity Day was conducted by the active members of the English Club on 17th April, 2016 at Bayan College Campus. Students and teachers alike participated in the event. Hajar Salman Al Tobi and AllaSalim Al Sabari hosted the event giving a warm welcome to the audience. A short play entitled TryMe First was enacted by the students of the Club, highlighting the importance of reading books. The play focused on reviving the aptitude of reading books back into our daily routine by limiting the over influence of social media and technology which has really messed up our lives.



A fruit-salad prepara-

tion competition followed the play. There were three teams of teachers for this competition: The General Foundation Program team (Dr. George Kolanchery & Mr. HonorioLacerna), The General Requirements team (Ms. Rejni Jeffery & Ms. Doreen Omoni) and The English Department team (Dr. Nader S. Fahim & Ms. Manju

George). Mr. Samuel Mundua and Ms. KavithaSumesh judged the event and the English Department team won the competition and was awarded food recipes books on stage. The colorful activity for the week was rounded off on a pleasing note from all the attendees who participated in the event.

## COLLEGE APPRECIATES ABDALLAH AL-BALUSHI

Bayan College management appreciated and honoured its former student-Mr.AbdallahMukhtarAbdallah Al-Balushi working with Public Authority for Radio and TV as Programme director who supervised the winning team of best ideas of TV programme held at Sultan Qaboos University (SQU).

A special appreciation was given by the college to Abdallah Al-Balushi for his commitment and being connected to college even after his graduation.

Deputy Dean Ms. ModiAl Ghailani expressed her happiness and appreciated Abdallah by handing over the mementos and certificates. "He always tried to be a part of Bayan College and his hard work and initiative towards the college can't be expressed in words", said Ms. Modi.

Mr.Abdallah shared his previous experiences as a student in Bayan College and added that this is my second



**Alumnus AbdallahMukhtarAbdallah Al-Balushi thanking for the love and appreciation.**

home and whenever I come here I feel so happy and excited, which make me to find reasons to associate with the college.

The college organized an informal setting by cutting the

cake to show the love and care towards such a hard working alumni students. The students and staff from the college appreciated him for his effort. The ceremony was live with music and refreshments.

## PHOTO EXHIBITION PULLED THE CROWD AT MARAH LAND

A two-day exhibition from March 25 to 26 was conducted by photography club of Bayan College at Marah Land, Qurum Park. Deputy Dean for the collegeMs.Modi Al Ghailani inaugurated photo exhibition which portrayed traditional spirit with a feel for the contemporary blending realism.

A collection of stunning photos captured by club members were displayed which attracted the visitors. A temporary studio was set beside to the displayed photos, where club members took photos for the visitors.In addition,



**Photography Club students in front of the exhibition venue with Deputy Dean for the college Ms.Modi Al Ghailani and Head of the English Department Dr.Lina Ibrahim.**

feedback was also collected in writing by each visitor by the club members. The club members explained about each photos to the visitors.

Muhammed Al Ajmi, student chairman for the Photography Club said that the exhibition is the outcome of a team work and each and every club member is very active and supportive to organize such events.

According to the club members the opportunity to conduct such exhibition was a big experience to explore and portray our talent in front of the public. Staff members and students from the college attended the exhibition and appreciated the effort taken by Photography Club.

# TRAFFIC AWARENESS DAY AT BAYAN COLLEGE

## Editor's Note

Dear esteemed readers,

Another semester comes to an end! I'm thankful that I can say it's been another great semester, especially in terms of the activities, we have a much more diverse selection of creative activity days and I'm grateful to have been able to attend most of them. A big thanksto everyone who contributed articles to this edition. Have a great summer!



Ali Al Zadjali  
Student Editor

Traffic Awareness Day was organized at Bayan College campus on March 14, 2016. Lecture on road safety was conducted by ROP officials.

Captain Saud Al Hajri delivered the lectures on different areas and highlighted the traffic safety rules, the causes of accidents and the ways to avoid it.

While delivering the lecture he urged the students to strictly follow traffic rules and to reduce the speed in order to avoid accidents. Accidents are



Lecture on road safety marked Traffic Awareness Day at Bayan College. ROP official Saud Al Hajri and delivers the lecture.

not preventable but can be reduced with the cooperation of everybody including the public and the concerned authorities, he added.

The event also included presentation on consequences of traffic accidents. The lecture educates road users about the importance of adhering to traffic laws and regulations. It also highlights economic, health, psychological, social and human losses and consequences due to road accidents.

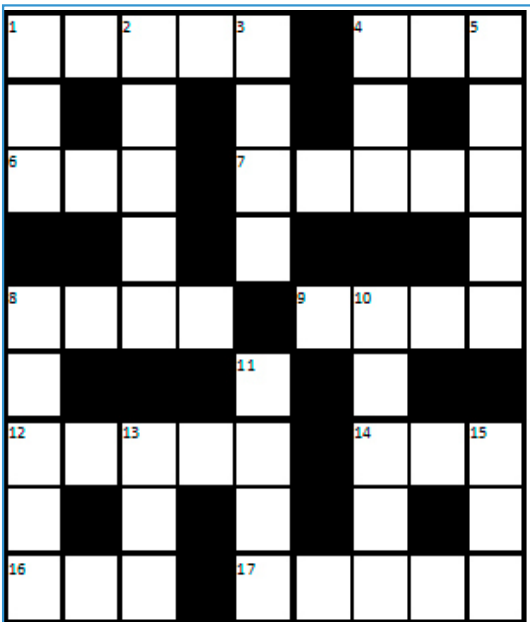
After the lecture there was an interaction session where students asked their queries and discussed various issues faced by them on the road.

Deputy Dean Ms. Modia Ghailan thanked the officials by handing over the certificates and souvenir and said that traffic accidents can occur anytime as long as causes for traffic accidents exist but the lectures and awareness sessions can help to reduce the accidents.

## NEW CAMPUS OF BAYAN COLLEGE AT HALBAN



### Crossword #209



#### Across

- Sum
- Move up and down
- Steal
- Naked people
- Ran away
- More than a few
- Keen
- Pump it into cars
- Bath necessity
- Sliced food staple

#### Down

- Sticky black substance
- Dining surface
- Join together
- Unopened flower
- Domineering
- Move swiftly
- Discuss loudly
- Snatch
- Chat
- Unhappy

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## LONG PLAYING OF VIDEO GAMES HARMFUL FOR HEALTH

A research has recently revealed that playing video games continuously without any break could be harmful for health.

Team of Dutch researchers gathered all reported cases of Nintendo-related injuries, over 30 years, and explained that keenest gamers were generally suffered from sore thumbs or tired eyes, the Independent reported.

Researchers examined two medical databases and found 38 reports of injuries and problems ranging from neurological and psychological to surgical.

Dr Maarten Jalink, researcher of the University of Groningen, said that overall, a Wii U was relatively a safe Christmas present.

Players should be careful about where they play, and they should take frequent breaks, he further added.

Nintendo's spokesman admitted that Wii was credited with getting people up off the couch, but people should pace themselves and should not overdo it.

## DR NADER FAHIM CONDUCTED A PRESENTATION ON "JOSEPH CONRAD'S VISION OF MAN."

Dr. Nader S. Fahim, a teaching staff member at the Department of English Studies, Bayan College, gave a presentation about "Joseph Conrad's Vision of Man". Dr. Nader introduced Joseph Conrad (1857-1924) as an outstanding late 19th early 20th century English novelist of matchless style of writing. The topic highlighted Conrad's pessimistic view of life: "Life knows us not, and we do not know life", due to the alienating experiences Conrad had in a country occupied by Russia, the exile and death of his father and mother, and the failure to work in the sea because of the barrier of language. The Victorian age with all its apprehensions highlighting Darwin's evolutionary theory and the law of "survival of the fittest" made Conrad aware of the futility of life.

The presenter pointed out that Joseph Conrad sees man as a being who suffers loneliness and alienation. Through his novels, Conrad reveals the reasons that lead to man's alienation: social, political, and self corruption, imagination, sudden disaster, the dark forces of nature, and betraying the "moral code of conduct."

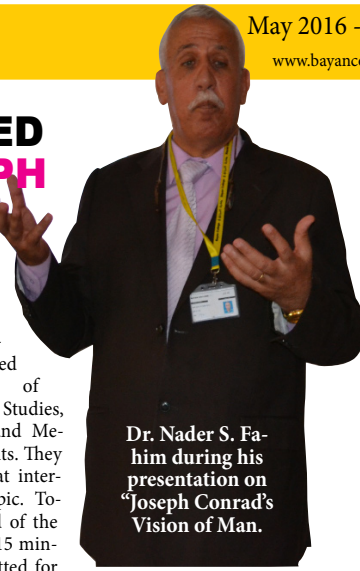
The presenter explained that although Conrad sees man as an alienated being, yet he can overcome this alienation through "fidelity" and "Human solidarity" that can be achieved through devotion to duty, self-oblivion, confession of one's wrongs, and self-sacrifice.

Dr. Nader concluded that Conrad's pessimistic view of life and man made him think that the alienated might succeed in his attempt to achieve solidarity and regain his humanity for a time, yet the machine of fate is always there to fall to "knit him in and out," and bring about his destruction. Hence the attempt at solidarity becomes fruitless. But the most satisfying outcome for the alienated or betrayer is having the honor

of trial, even if it means his death.

The audience consisted of members of the English Studies, Foundation, and Media departments. They showed a great interest in the topic. Towards the end of the presentation, 15 minutes were allotted for Q.A. session. One of the audience pointed out that Conrad's description of the native Africans' cruel savagery should be in quotation marks to assure that it is Conrad's view.

Another comment was given about the similarity between Conrad's bad experiences in life and those of Vincent Van Gough. Although Gough passed through bad experiences and suffered misery, loneliness and seclusion, yet he could make of himself the most outstanding artist in history. Another faculty member required a brief background about the nature of the Victorian age, and the relevance of Conrad's personal experiences to the current time and world we live. Another inquiry was raised about the presenter's stand whether Eurocentric or Afrocentric. A suggestion was made to the presenter to read a book entitled How Europe Underdeveloped Africa and to provide him with the author's name.



Dr. Nader S. Fahim during his presentation on "Joseph Conrad's Vision of Man."

## Media Club Organized News Reading Competition



The winners of news reading competition.

Media Club of Bayan College organized news reading competition for the students in English and Arabic at College Campus. The competition was conducted in different phases.

In the first phase a screening test was conducted from which final stage contestant was selected. The contestant was given the news script on the spot.

The news reading competition was organized in College Studio with all the settings as if in Live Television Studio.

The winners were given with certificates by Deputy Dean Ms. Modi Al Ghailani. After handing over the certificates she said that the competition was very tough and qualities of our students are such that they can compete with the present news readers in the industry.

"The competition was very tough and all competitors were very talented. This platform also helped the students to increase their confidence and it gave exposure to them. Such initiatives taken by College always helped the students to learn more during the grooming sections", said Ayoub Al Riyami, Coordinator of the event.

Ayoub also added that it was a big challenge for us to groom the contestants and to set a platform as if in live studio.

The judging panel for the event was Assistant Professor for Media and Dr. Fadhil Moshin, Head of the English Department, Dr. Lina Ibrahim and Head of HR Department Juma Mohammed Alkaabi.

## ENGLISH DEPARTMENT ORGANIZES FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Celebrating the Graduates of 2015/2016

A fellowship meeting was held as part of the students' activities on the 9th of May at College Campus. The event was conducted mainly to felicitate the graduating students from the English Department, class 2015/2016.

The HoD, Dr. Lina Ibrahim took the lead in organizing the event, much to the satisfaction of the whole attendees, along with her colleagues of the Department. College Staff from other departments and Deanship office also wholeheartedly participated in the activity.

An excellent display of rich and varied delicacies



Graduating students cutting the cake.

brought by the students and staff alike added glamour to the entire event. Sharing food and a quality time with the students made this event a carefree time

to be cherished and remembered. The memorable function will be the first in a tradition that will be kept by the Department every semester.



Graduating students with the Head of the Department, Dr. Lina Ibrahim.

## FOUNDATION DEPARTMENT ORGANIZED 'SPELLING BEE' AND 'SPEECH' COMPETITION



Selected contestants for final round.

Foundation Department of Bayan College organized 'Spelling Bee' and 'Speech' competition for level 2 and level 3 students at College Campus during student's activity hour.

A screening test was conducted for 'Spelling Bee' competition from which 10 selected contestants competed in final round. After three rounds, two students, Sharifa Al Siyabi and Ikram Al Khusaibi battled for the title of 'Spelling Bee Master' in which Ikram Al Khusaibi won the title.

The winner Ikram Al Khusaibi said that, we were asked to spell a broad selection of



words which found to be interesting and I am very happy that I got the first price.

Around 20 students participated in 'Speech' competition from level 2 and level 3 from which three students were selected based on their presentation skills. The head of the department,

Dr. George Kolanchery said that the speech competition winner will be announced on the day of the prize distribution ceremony.

A team consisting of Ms. Mariam Aziz (Coordinator), Mr. Honorio Lacerna and Dr. Qammarudin Al Ansari supervised the event.

# GENERAL REQUIREMENT UNIT CONDUCTS OPEN FORUM

General Requirement Unit of Bayan College conducted first open forum on the topic "Explore ways for better performance" at Multi-Hall, College Campus. The discussion took place on a concept 'Sip a Soup & Tip your Loupe'.

The programme was conducted to initiate seamless group discussion to elicit ideas and feasible suggestions through discussion. Ms. Rejni Jeffrey, Head of the General Requirements Unit, gave a brief note about the General Requirement Unit, the link between it and the Founda-

tion Studies Department.

Mr. Mohammed Najeeb, Head of Quality Assurance was the moderator of the forum and persuaded the group into the discussion. The session ended on an optimistic note with a vote of thanks by Mr. Mandua, Media Department Lecturer, urging all its attendees to execute the important suggestions into fruitful actions for the long term.

The discussion was carried out on various topics and different suggestions were put forward by different participants, like introduction of



General Requirement Unit staff discussing during the Open Forum.



Head of General Requirement Unit Ms. Rejni Jeffrey making a presentation on the department.



General Requirement Unit team.

level three students to their major course vocabularies and terms, an entry and exit level scores of students to be assessed to get an overall idea of the progress that the student has achieved, introducing ESP in our curriculum,

the opportunities by using social media like Facebook, Instagram & WhatsApp to make the process of learning more student orientated & interactive, installation of interactive boards to make the classes more active and how

to reduce the ratio of under probation students.

The informal setting with music and refreshments provided an atmosphere in which it was possible to engage serious conversations in an amiable manner.

## Media Club Organized Workshop on Cinematography

Media Club of Bayan College organized workshop on Cinematography in the College Campus. Mohammed Al Farsi Oman TV conducted the workshop.

The workshop was held to introduce students to the world of cinematography. Mohammed from Oman TV explained about various aspects of cinematography and said that to learn the skills and

techniques of videography a person should have interest and should be ready to work hard.

The workshop was conducted for both still and video photographers who want to learn the skills and techniques to capture and powerful cinematic footage.

Mohammed Al Farsi during his workshop said that a new unity of art and technolo-

gy is necessary via the conversion of exciting crafts and the role of cinematography, with visual effects, virtual lighting, pre-visualization, as well as emerging visual practices.

Ayoub Al Riyami, Coordinator of the programme said that the workshop was very helpful for the students and the feedback says that the students are looking for such workshop in future.



Mohammed Al Farsi from Oman TV conducting workshop on Cinematography at College Campus.